

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, 14 AUGUST 2017

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HUME CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HUME CITY COUNCIL held on Monday, 14 August 2017 at 7.13 pm at the Sunbury Council Chamber

Present:	a: Council	Cr Drew Jessop Cr Ann Potter Cr Joseph Haweil Cr Jodi Jackson Cr Carly Moore Cr Leigh Johnson Cr Jack Medcraft Cr Naim Kurt Cr Geoff Porter Cr Karen Sherry Cr Jana Taylor	Mayor Deputy Mayor
	b: Officers	Mr Domenic Isola Mr Peter Waite Mr Daryl Whitfort Ms Margarita Caddick Mr Kelvin Walsh Ms Kylie Ezzy Ms Bernadette Thomas Mr Sean Sciberras Mr Joel Farrell Mr Gavan O'Keefe Ms Kirsty Pearce	Chief Executive Officer Director Sustainable Infrastructure and Services Director Corporate Services Director Community Services Director Planning and Development Director Communications, Engagement and Advocacy Manager Sustainable Environment Manager Waste Manager Organisation Performance and Engagement Manager Governance Senior Governance Officer

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THIS LAND

The Mayor read the following:

"I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Gunung-Willam-Balluk land. The Gunung-Willam-Balluk of the Wurundjeri are the first and original people of this land. I would like to pay my respects to their Elders, past and present, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today."

Requests to Record Proceedings

The Mayor advised Councillors that he had received a request to make an audio recording of the meeting. The Mayor asked Councillors if there were any objections to the granting of consent to the request to record proceedings. No Councillors declared any objection to the request. The approval was granted.

Gallery Behaviour

The Mayor reminded the gallery that Council's Code of Meeting Procedures requires the gallery to be silent at all times, and that members of the gallery must not interject or take part in the debate. Any person who is called to order, may be asked to leave the Chamber. The Mayor advised that notwithstanding this, he will invite members of the gallery to speak, for up to two minutes either in support of or against an officer's recommendation

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. PRAYER

The Mayor read the Opening Prayer:

Almighty God, we humbly beseech Thee to vouchsafe Thy blessing upon this Council. Direct and prosper its deliberations to the advancement of Thy glory and the true welfare of the people of the Hume City.

Amen

Acknowledgement of visiting Councillors

The Mayor acknowledged visiting councillors from Macedon Ranges Shire Council, Mayor Jennifer Anderson, Cr Helen Radnedge and Cr Janet Pearce, who were present in the gallery for the Meeting.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

The Mayor drew Councillors' attention to the provisions of the Local Government Act 1989 in relation to the disclosure of conflicts of interests. Councillors are required to disclose any conflict of interest immediately before consideration or discussion of the relevant item. Councillors are then required to leave the Chamber during discussion and not vote on the relevant item.

Cr Leigh Johnson declared an indirect interest item CC054 - Fit2Drive Research and Evaluation Report, by way of close association/indirect financial interest as his sons are casually employed by in the Fit2Drive Program.

4. ASSEMBLIES OF COUNCIL

The Mayor advised that there were no records of assemblies to report on this section of the Agenda.

5. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 10 July 2017 and the Ordinary Council (Town Planning) Meeting of 24 July 2017, including Confidential Minutes.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Jana Taylor

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 10 July 2017 and the Ordinary Council (Town Planning) Meeting of 24 July 2017, including Confidential Minutes, be confirmed.

CARRIED

6. RECEIPT OF COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL TO BE ADOPTED

Nil

7. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

7.1 Resident of the Month – Ms Rose Le Guier

(Nominated by Cr Leigh Johnson)

The Mayor read the following citation and presented Ms Le Guier with a certificate:

This award is presented in recognition of your community dedication and volunteer work. Hume City Council acknowledges your active and long-standing roles with various organisations to assist, in particular, the community of Sunbury. Your outstanding support of and involvement in event organisation, fundraising and advocacy for St John's Ambulance Service, the Sunbury Girl Guides and the Sunbury Blue Light Disco is recognised and admired. Your commitment to Sunbury's youth and your leadership within the community has contributed to the active engagement of young people, and the personal development of youth in the community. You are a valued member of the Hume community and Council congratulates you for your dedication.

7.2 Resident of the Month - Mr Brad Radclyffe

(Nominated by Cr Ann Potter)

The Mayor read the following citation and presented Mr Radclyffe with a certificate:

This award is presented in recognition of your community dedication through your outstanding efforts in the establishment and operation of Kruze 4 Kids. Council recognises your support for members of the community through your selfless participation in fundraising by organising and running the Kruze 4 Kids annual car show and family day, which has raised in excess of \$50,000 to support the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal over the past 7 years. Your dedication and enthusiasm to help others is a wonderful example of kindness for all members of the community, and your leadership is to be admired. You are a valued member of the Hume community, and Council congratulates you for your dedication.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

PQ647

MR NEIL ISLES

Question 1:

Mooted shift of Sunbury Visitor Information Centre from Old Sunbury Court House – please share with the community what alternative uses for the old Sunbury courthouse have already been considered by Council – and will Council let the Sunbury community decide on its use?

Response: (Director Planning and Development)

Careful consideration and consultation has been undertaken in regards to the integration of the Sunbury Visitor Information Centre (SVIC) into the Hume Global Learning Centre – Sunbury (HGLC-S). The consultation process included discussions with SVIC staff and their strong base of more than 40 regular volunteers, resulting in a positive response and general support for the idea.

During consultations with SVIC volunteers and staff, there was a desire to ensure that there was future community use of the old Sunbury Courthouse building, once their services had moved to the HGLC-S. At no point has there been any discussion that the heritage-listed site would be closed, and neither had this proposition ever been a part of any consideration in planning for the HGLC-S.

Council will continue to work closely with local community over the next 18 months to find the best possible community use for the SVIC space at the old Sunbury Courthouse.

PQ648

MR NEIL ISLES

Question 2:

Management of kerbside recycled materials in Hume – In light of the recent ABC "Four Corners" program highlighting the issue of materials collected for recycling being sent to landfill – how much of collected recycled material in Hume is sent to landfill – and what procedures are in place by Council to ensure recycled material is not dumped in landfill?

Response: (Director Sustainable Infrastructure and Services)

Council offers two collection services to help households recycle. A co-mingled recyclable collection services, the yellow lidded bin, and a voluntary organic green waste service, the green lidded bin.

Council collects and sends this material to a co-mingled sorting facility and an organic green waste recycling facility respectively.

Households sometimes place waste that is not recyclable in their recycling bins. Recycling facilities have the capacity to remove small amounts of these contaminates but, on rare occasions, the facility may need to reject a truckload of recyclable material if contamination levels are too high.

A yearly kerbside recyclables audit is conducted to characterise the material that households place in their recycling bins. The audit shows that 10 percent of material within the kerbside recyclables bin is sent to landfill as it cannot be recycled or it is too contaminated.

The Victorian Government charges a landfill levy to provide a strong financial incentive for local authorities and recycling facilities to not send material to landfill. The levy currently stands at \$63.28 per tonne, making the cost of sending waste to landfill in Melbourne generally more than \$120 per tonne.

PQ649

MR TREVOR DANCE

Question 1:

Hume City Council's policy on responding to ratepayers according to Council email responses is:

"For specific enquiries, these have been directed to the relevant department for a response. Attached documents will also be directed to the relevant area for processing. You can expect a response within 10 working days."

Many of my requests are not being answered. There has been very few and none are complex in nature.

One request is now over 13 months old and some recent ones from 11.4.2017, 8.6.2017, 24.7.2017 and 1.8.2017 have all not been responded to.

I ask that you address one of these tonight and when will all outstanding matters be responded to? The one dated the 11.4.2017.

".....Can you please advise if your answer to question one was written, drafted or verbally communicated to Hume City Council by a qualified lawyer for such matters....?"

Response: (Director Corporate Services)

I can confirm that Council does not procure legal advice, in any format, when responding to your public questions.

PQ650

MR TREVOR DANCE

Question 2:

In reference to the ongoing parking issue in Sunbury. Could Hume Council provide an update on what they are doing to fix the parking issues in Sunbury to ensure there is adequate parking for all shoppers and public transport users?

Response: (Director Sustainable Infrastructure and Services)

Council acknowledges that commuters, residents and traders have a range of concerns about the availability of parking in and around the Sunbury Town Centre area.

Arriving at a resolution that is satisfactory to the needs of all stakeholders (residents, commuters and traders) will not be easy as some solutions are simply cost prohibitive. One of the challenges for Council is that much of available parking in Sunbury is on private land.

To better understand the availability and occupancy levels of existing parking, Council will shortly undertake a detailed occupancy survey over a full day from 6am through to 9pm. The information obtained will enable Council to better manage the parking that it is responsible for and to identify any particular areas of parking shortfall.

PQ651

MR STEPHEN COUGHLAN

Question 1:

Is the CEO aware of his obligations to report Assemblies of Councillors under the Local Government Act 1989 and further clarified under the Local Government & Planning Legislation Amendments Act 2010?

Response: (Director Corporate Services)

The assembly of councillors requirements inserted into the Local Government Act in 2010 were further amended in 2012 (through the Local Government Legislation Amendment (Miscellaneous) Act) and amended the definition as follows:

Assembly of councillors means a meeting of an advisory committee of the council, if at least one councillor is present, or a planned or scheduled meeting of at least half of the councillors and one member of council staff which considers matters that are intended or likely to be—

(a) the subject of a decision of the council;

Or

(b) subject to the exercise of a function, duty or power of the council that has been delegated to a person or committee—

But does not include a meeting of the council, a special committee of the council, an audit committee established under section 139, a club, association, peak body, political party or other organisation

As a result, Council includes an agenda item for the record of assemblies to be included in both the open and confidential sections of Ordinary Council Meeting agenda.

PQ652

MR STEPHEN COUGHLAN

Question 2:

In the past four years, have any situations occurred where three or more Councillors have met with Officer in a briefing setting?

Response: (Director Corporate Services)

Given the definition provided in question one, Council is not required to record councillor briefing sessions where less than 6 councillors are present, as this would be less than half of the councillors.

10. OFFICER'S REPORTS

Reports Identified as Requiring Individual Discussion

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda
ED020	Hume Community Hubs Annual Report	4

Moved Cr Geoff Porter, Seconded Cr Leigh Johnson

That Council:

- 2.1 notes the progress report on the Hume Community Hubs, highlighting the expansion of the program and the role of partnerships to achieve positive outcomes and advance social and economic participation for refugees and CALD community.
- 2.2 notes the leadership role of Hume City Council and the significant contribution of Hume Community Hubs to the settlement of Syrian and Iraqi refugees both locally and nationally.

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda		
CC052	Hume Volunteer Gateway Update	12		

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Jodi Jackson

That Council:

- 2.1 notes the achievements of the Hume Volunteer Gateway Program for the period July 2016 to June 2017 in this report.
- 2.2 notes the successful delivery of the Volunteer Conference held in May 2017.
- 2.3 notes the Tax Help program is available to Hume residents from 1 July to 31 October 2017.

Councillor Ann Potter left the meeting after the motion was moved on item CC052, the time being 7:46 pm, and returned to the meeting prior to the vote on the item, the time being 7:47 pm.

Report No. Report

Page in Agenda

CC053 2018 Community Grants Program - Councillor Nominations 16

Moved Cr Geoff Porter, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

That Council:

2.1 nominates Cr Jana Taylor, Cr Ann Potter and Cr Joseph Haweil to the 2018 Community Grants Councillor Assessment Panel (CAP).

CARRIED

Report No.	Report	Page in
CC054	Fit2Drive Research and Evaluation Report	Agenda 22

Councillor Leigh Johnson, having declared an interest in item CC054, left the chamber at 7.57 pm and took no part in the discussion or voting on the matter.

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Ann Potter

That Council:

- 2.1 continues to invest in the F2D Program as one of its transport safety initiatives.
- 2.2 explores opportunities to curtail increasing costs associated with funding F2D workshops as outlined in Section 6.4.
- 2.3 increases involvement in the monitoring and delivery of F2D workshops to increase effectiveness and ensure good governance as outlined in Section 6.4.

CARRIED

Councillor Leigh Johnson returned to the meeting, the time being 7:59 pm.

Report No.	Report	Page in Agenda		
CC055	Social Justice Charter Annual Report 2017			
	Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft			
	That Council adopts the Social Justice Charter Annual Report 2017.			

CARRIED

Report No.	Report Pag Age			
SU234	Conserving our Rural Environment Grant - 2017/18	35		
	Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft			
	That Council:			
	2.1 Approves the allocation of \$185,656.94 to 26 Project G	rants		
2.2 Approves the allocation of \$60,000 to three additi focus on monitoring and enhancing the grant pro				

Councillor Joseph Haweil left the meeting after the motion was moved on item SU234, the time being 8:05 pm, and returned to the meeting prior to the vote on the item, the time being 8:08 pm.

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Report No. Report

Agenda GE217 Council Plan 2013-2017 (2016/2017 Actions) Final Progress 50 Report

Moved Cr Geoff Porter, Seconded Cr Jana Taylor

That Council notes the progress of actions and indicators of the Council Plan 2013-2017 (2016/2017 Actions) [refer Attachments One and Two].

Report No.	Rep	ort			Page in Agenda
GE216	2017 - 2019 Growing Suburbs Fund			45	
	Mov	Moved Cr Leigh Johnson, Seconded Cr Carly Moore			
	2.1	That C	ounci	l:	
		2.1.1		roves the submission of applications to urbs Fund for the following projects:	the Growing
			(a)	Arena Reserve Pavilion	
			(b)	Relocatable Kindergarten Rooms for Roxburgh Park and Newbury Child an Centre, Craigieburn	•
			(c)	McMahon Recreation Reserve Upgrade	
			(d)	Sunbury Town Centre Redevelopment	
			(e)	Greenvale Recreation Reserve Oval 2 Pa	avilion and;
			(f)	Environmentally Sustainable Commu Upgrades	unity Facility
		2.1.2		es the allocations of funding from t ncil budget, including:	he 2017/2018
			•	1,570,000 for the <i>McMahon Recreation Re</i> Ipgrade	serve
				240,658 for the Environmentally Sustainal community Facility Upgrades	ble
				1,550,000 for the <i>Greenvale Recreation R</i> Pavilion	eserve Oval 2
		2.1.3	4-Ye Res	roves bringing forward the following amo ear indicative Capital Works Program f <i>erve Pavilion</i> project, subject to a lication:	or the Arena
			(a)	\$200,000 from 18/19 to 17/18 and;	
			(b)	\$1,800,000 from 19/20 to 18/19.	

- 2.1.4 Notes the commitment of funding from future Council budgets of:
 - \$490,000 for the *McMahon Recreation Reserve* Upgrade

- \$750,000 for the Sunbury Town Centre Redevelopment
- 2.1.5 Notes that there is no proposed funding commitment towards the:
 - Relocatable Kindergarten Rooms for Bluebird Way Roxburgh Park, and Newbury Child and Community Centre, Craigieburn project.

CARRIED

11. PETITIONS AND JOINT LETTERS

Petitions tabled at Meeting

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the following petition had been received.

PJL270 Petition to Council requesting that Council remove a dangerous tree located on the nature strip outside 4-6 Ronald Close, Gladstone Park

Moved Cr Jana Taylor, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil

That the Petition be received, circulated to Councillors, and the first named signatory of the Petition be advised that the matter has been referred to the Manager Parks for investigation and response.

CARRIED

Cr Naim Kurt tabled the following petition at the meeting, which was handed to him by the Westmeadows Primary School community.

PJL271 Petition to Council requesting that Council redesigns and funds the parking area in Shadforth Street and around the school so that children can be picked up and dropped off in a safe and legal manner while maintaining maximum parking spaces in Shadforth and surrounding streets

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Geoff Porter

That the Petition be received, circulated to Councillors, and the first named signatory of the Petition be advised that the matter has been referred to the Manager Assets for investigation and response.

CARRIED

12. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

13. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

14. DELEGATES REPORTS

DEL070 HUME SUSTAINABILITY TASKFORCE MEETING

Councillor Jodi Jackson

Cr Jackson reported to Council on her attendance at the August meeting of Hume's Sustainability Taskforce. Cr Jackson highlighted some of the meeting's presentations and main discussion points including Council's Subdivisional Development team's role in the strategic and detailed planning of open space in Hume's growth area with a focus on sustainability. Cr Jackson advised that recently completed research indicates that Craigieburn has the highest reported diversity of bats in Melbourne with 8 of the 15 species found in the Melbourne area, including several species of micro bats. Cr Jackson also highlighted the taskforce's Significant Tree Protection projects, and a presentation on Moreland City Council's electric vehicle initiatives, including electric fleet vehicles, public recharging stations and Moreland's ongoing pilot study into hydrogen fuel cells to fuel their waste vehicle fleet.

Cr Jackson also advised that the Taskforce have expressed a very keen interest in being part of the Waste Service Planning Review.

Cr Jackson finished by advising that Expressions Of Interest are now open for the 2017-2019 term of Hume's Sustainability Taskforce and encouraged members of the community who have expertise in the various facets of Sustainability that relate to Hume City Council's work to apply.

DEL071 METROPOLITAN WASTE MANAGEMENT GROUP (MWMG) FORUM MEETING

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Cr Jack Medcraft updated Council on his attendance at the Metropolitan Waste Management Group (MWMG) Forum Meeting held Thursday, 10 August 2017. Cr Medcraft advised Council that the forum discussed the recent 4 Corners report into unscrupulous operators in the waste industry, and noted that Victoria's waste management practices were not reflected in the report.

Cr Medcraft also advised of discussions with a representative of the Environmental Protection Agency, who indicated that they would be visiting Hume in the future.

15. GENERAL BUSINESS

HAW009 CRITICAL INCIDENTS AT MATERIAL RECYCLING SITES

Councillor Joseph Haweil

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council:

- a) Prepares a report for consideration at a Strategy and Policy Briefing, within 60 days, considering options and possible solutions to mitigate the risk posed to the community by critical incidents at material recycling sites;
- b) Investigate the possibility of joining Tyre Stewardship Australia and present a report for consideration at a Strategy and Policy Briefing within 60 days.

HAW010 REAL ESTATE AGENT SIGNS IN AITKEN WARD

Councillor Joseph Haweil

Moved Cr Joseph Haweil, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

Council investigates real estate agent signs in Aitken Ward that advertise agents or businesses themselves, to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Hume Planning Scheme.

During the course of debate on item HAW010, Cr Jack Medcraft established that he had an interest in this item due to his employment as a Real Estate Agent, and left the chamber prior to the vote, the time being 8.49pm, and did not vote on the item.

CARRIED

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting, the time being 8:50 pm.

MOR013 TRAIN STATION PARKING

Councillor Carly Moore

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil

That a report be prepared for a future Strategy and Policy Briefing that details the current permit restrictions in the streets surrounding the Craigieburn Train Station including analysis of whether these restrictions are still considered appropriate.

CARRIED

MOR014 REAL ESTATE AGENT BOARDS

Councillor Carly Moore

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil

The Council, through the Mayor, writes to the Real Estate Institute of Victoria expressing concern at local real estate agents' disregard of guidelines, and calls on the Real Estate Institute to enforce their guidelines, particularly in relation to the display and removal of real estate signage on properties once sold.

During the course of debate on item MOR014, Cr Jack Medcraft established that he had an interest in this item due to his employment as a Real Estate Agent, and left the chamber prior to the vote, the time being 8.52pm, and did not vote on the item.

CARRIED

Councillor Jack Medcraft returned to the meeting, the time being 8:55 pm.

MOR015 PARKING AROUND STATE SCHOOLS

Councillor Carly Moore

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Naim Kurt

That a report be prepared for a future Strategy and Policy Briefing regarding the parking around local state schools, in particular:

- a) What Council's role is in relation to parking around schools;
- b) Any possibilities for improvement or collaboration with the Victorian State Government and the schools themselves; and
- c) Anything else that Council can do to ease the congestion around schools at peak times.

SHE006 COMMUNITY CENTRE AT VALLEY PARK, WESTMEADOWS

Councillor Karen Sherry

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Geoff Porter

That Council writes to the Minister for Housing, Disability and Ageing, the Hon. Martin Foley MP, regarding the status of the establishment of a community centre at Valley Park, Westmeadows.

CARRIED

SHE007 ROOMING HOUSES IN HUME

Councillor Karen Sherry

Moved Cr Karen Sherry, Seconded Cr Jana Taylor

That a report be presented to a future Strategy and Policy Briefing on the number of unregistered rooming houses that were reported, investigated, and closed down as a result of Hume City Council actions for the 2016/2017 financial year.

CARRIED

KUR017 STAWELL TYRE PILE

Councillor Naim Kurt

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Geoff Porter

That Council write to the Environment Protection Authority and the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, the Hon. Lily D'Ambrosio seeking clarification on the use of a site in Hume to receive tyres being transferred from the tyre pile in Stawell.

CARRIED

KUR018 OUTDOOR PERFORMANCE PLATFORM

Councillor Naim Kurt

Moved Cr Naim Kurt, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

That a report be prepared for a future Strategy and Policy Briefing on the opportunities and options to provide an outdoor performance platform or stage for community events and concerts.

CARRIED

TAY013 COUNCIL ASSISTANCE IN REDUCING HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICITY AND GAS COSTS

Councillor Jana Taylor

Moved Cr Jana Taylor, Seconded Cr Jodi Jackson

That officers prepare a briefing note for a future Strategy and Policy Briefing that explores options to assist residents in reducing household electricity and gas costs, guided by the recommendations within the two reports:

- Independent Review into the Gas and Electricity Markets in Victoria, presented to the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change; and
- Power Struggles: Everyday Battles to Stay Connected, as released by the Victorian Council of Social Service

TAY014 LGBTI FUNDING

Councillor Jana Taylor

Moved Cr Jana Taylor, Seconded Cr Carly Moore

That Council writes to the Minister for Equality, the Hon. Martin Foley MP, and ask how the recently announced \$3 Million in State Government funding to develop comprehensive specialist services for LGBTI Victorians who experience or are at risk of experiencing family violence, will specifically assist LGBTI people in Hume, and extend an offer for Hume Council to collaborate with the Victorian Government to deliver mutually beneficial outcomes for Hume's LGBTI community.

CARRIED

ENROLLING TO VOTE - AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS SURVEY

Councillor Jana Taylor

Cr Taylor noted to the meeting that the Australian Bureau of Statistics will be conducting a nationwide survey in the coming months, and reminded the community to check and update their voting enrolment details by 24 August 2017 to participate in the survey.

POR125 PARKING AT BROADMEADOWS HOSPITAL

Councillor Geoff Porter

Moved Cr Geoff Porter, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil

That Council writes to the Board of Management of the Broadmeadows Hospital, and other relevant authorities, requesting that they review their decision to charge car parking fees for visitors and patients on this site.

Councillor Ann Potter left the meeting after the motion was moved on item POR125, the time being 9:30 pm, and returned to the meeting prior to the vote on the item, the time being 9:31 pm.

CARRIED

POR126 JACANA RAILWAY STATION

Councillor Geoff Porter

Moved Cr Geoff Porter, Seconded Cr Jana Taylor

That Council write to the Minister for Public Transport, The Hon. Jacinta Allan MP, the Member for Broadmeadows, Mr Frank McGuire MP, and relevant rail authorities, seeking works to be considered to address safety concerns raised about Jacana Railway Station. This station is dirty, offers poor amenities and is perceived by many users as unsafe and unwelcoming.

CARRIED

JAC008 CAMP ROAD SHARED PATH

Councillor Jodi Jackson

Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, Seconded Cr Jana Taylor

That Council write to the Minister for Public Transport, The Hon. Jacinta Allan MP, and the Level Crossing Removal Authority requesting that a shared path along the railway reservation be provided as part of the Camp Road level crossing removal project.

JAC009 BAT DISCOVERY EVENING

Councillor Jodi Jackson

Moved Cr Jodi Jackson, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council, through its Live Green Program, investigates hosting a Bat Discovery Evening to help residents better understand and appreciate the role that bats play in our environment and the importance of tree hollows in their survival.

CARRIED

MED211 VICROADS PROJECTS UPDATE

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Ann Potter

That Council write to VicRoads and ask for an update on a previous request of General Business, on:

- 1) Short term parking sign at Melbourne Airport;
- 2) Dividing barrier on Sunbury Road behind Melbourne Airport.

CARRIED

MED212 ILLEGAL WASTE DUMPS

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Joseph Haweil

That Council writes to the Environment Protection Authority and ask for a briefing at a future Strategy and Policy Briefing on illegal waste dumps, and how they are combating the problem.

CARRIED

MED213 POLICE INITIATIVES IN HUME

Councillor Jack Medcraft

Moved Cr Jack Medcraft, Seconded Cr Jodi Jackson

That Council invite the District Inspector of Victoria Police to a future Strategy and Policy Briefing to provide Councillors with an overview of police initiatives across the city to combat the increasing crime rate in Hume.

During the course of debate on item MED213, Cr Leigh Johnson established that he had an interest in this item due to his employment with Victoria Police, and left the chamber prior to the vote, the time being 9.54pm, and did not vote on the item.

CARRIED

Councillor Leigh Johnson returned to the meeting, the time being 9:55 pm.

JOH015 SHARED PATHWAY BETWEEN DIGGERS REST AND SUNBURY

Councillor Leigh Johnson

Moved Cr Leigh Johnson, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

That Council write to the Minister for Roads and Road Safety, the Hon. Luke Donnellan MP, to have the Vineyard/Plumpton Road shared pathway completed including the section over the Calder Freeway, and that funding be provided this year for this important initiative.

JOH016 PASSING OF ROWLAND OLARENSHAW

Councillor Leigh Johnson

Moved Cr Leigh Johnson, Seconded Cr Ann Potter

That Council acknowledge the recent passing of long term resident Rowlie Olarenshaw, who passed away at 103 years of age.

CARRIED

POT251 LIFETIME ANIMAL REGISTRATION TAGS

Councillor Ann Potter

Moved Cr Ann Potter, Seconded Cr Geoff Porter

That officers provide a report to a Strategy and Policy Briefing regarding the possibility of providing lifetime registration tags for registered animals in the municipality instead of issuing tags on a yearly basis.

CARRIED

POT252 VALE KEN "YOGI" BENTLEY

Councillor Ann Potter

Moved Cr Ann Potter, Seconded Cr Jack Medcraft

That the Mayor writes to the family of Ken "Yogi" Bentley, expressing Councillors' sympathy on his recent passing.

CARRIED

Councillor Naim Kurt left the meeting, the time being 10:12 pm.

16. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

The Meeting may be closed to members of the public to consider confidential matters.

Moved Cr Carly Moore, Seconded Cr Karen Sherry

THAT the Council close the meeting to the public pursuant to Section 89(2) (sub sections as listed), of the Local Government Act 1989 to consider the following items, which are confidential for the reasons indicated:

Report No.	Title	Reason for Confidential
COSU070	Contract - Road Reconstruction Works, Meadow Heights	(d) contractual matters
COSU071	Contract extension - Recyclables Kerbside Collection Service	(d) contractual matters
COGE149	Assembly of Councillors	(h) any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person

The meeting was closed to the public at 10.13pm.

The meeting was reopened to the public at 10.17pm.

17. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10.17 pm.

COUNCILLOR DREW JESSOP MAYOR